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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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 Serial No. : 10/086,489 Examiner: J. Fredman  
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 For : A Method to Detect Mutations in a Nucleic Acid Using  
a Hybridization-Ligation Procedure

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Date: January 27, 2006

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

\_\_\_\_\_ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. \$1.9 and \$1.27 has been previously established.

\_\_\_\_\_ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. \$1.9 and \$1.27 is enclosed.

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Independent Claims	6 -	** 7 =	*** 0 X	\$100	\$200	=		0
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) Presented For First Time Yes <u>X</u> No				\$180	\$360	=		0
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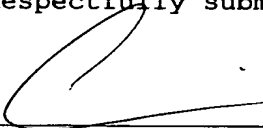
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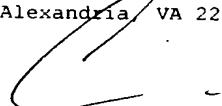
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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